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Hon. Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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LETTER

Dear Sir:

The applicant requests that this case not be found "abandoned" until the Office rules on applicant's Petition (filed August 9, 2004) to Obtain or Correct a Filing Date for applicant's continuation-in-part to the above identified application, the continuation-in-part having been filed December 1, 2003.

In support of this request, applicant submits a copy of the Petition and exhibits, together with a copy of Proof of Delivery received from the United States Postal Service by facsimile on August 9, 2004.

The forbearance of the Office is solicited and appreciated.

Very truly yours,


MARTIN FAIER

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I certify that this paper and the documents referred to therein was transmitted to Art Unit 1600 via fax at 703/872-9306, the number for said unit shown in the US Patent and Trademark Office website, on August 11, 2004.



Attorney